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March 27, 1963 - Wednesday

I went to see Lord Home this morning at the Foreign Office. He is leaving for Japan at noon, flying over the North Pole.

Adlai Stevenson arrived this morning from Paris, to stay a few days with us, as did Mrs. Joseph P. Kennedy, the President's mother. Adlai and I lunched at Admiralty House, as guests of the Prime Minister. Harold Caccia, Solly Zuckerman, and Philip de Zulueta were there. Adlai talked about his conversations in Paris with Pompidou and Couve de Murville. He said he found them both friendly and relaxed, but the former more reserved than the latter. Couve thought the British would be admitted to the Common Market, once they had become more "European".

Adlai also talked to the Prime Minister about UN finances, especially as they relate to extraordinary expenses such as military forces. He thought we would have to fix on the short term objective of raising enough money to get through this year, but it was doubtful the US Congress would permit the payment by us of more than 40%. He seemed to take it for granted that the British would go along with us in the financial support of the UN. There was a good deal of talk about the Soviet Union. Adlai expressed the view that he believed Krushchev must be under severe internal pressures. The Prime Minister in turn was rather cheered by K's denunciation of modern painting and literature. This indicated he was becoming more capitalistic.

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March 28, 1963 - Thursday

George Ball arrived last night. I had a good talk with him this morning. He had seen Fred Erroll, President of the Board of Trade, and had a frank conversation with him about the large diameter pipe problem. The British Government, Opposition and public generally have become irritated with US insistence on this subject. It is quite unclear as to whether the only mill capable of making such pipe, the South Durham Steel Company, now operating on a three-day a week basis, is carrying on serious negotiations with the Soviets for the small amounts which this factory would be capable of furnishing...We have approached the company all too often, so that now we can obtain no information from them. At some point there should be a

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re-examination of the whole question of East-West trade, toward which the US Government, operating to a considerable extent under pressures from the Congress, has adopted what may turn out to be an unrealistic attitude. The most we can hope to do in this instance is to delay the completion of the large system of pipelines that the Soviets are engaged in constructing. They are capable of expanding their own pipe-making capacity to a point where they would become self-sufficient.

I had a lunch for George Ball and Ted Heath at Bucks. Ted is interested in pressing ahead on Kennedy round negotiations.

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Adlai has been fully occupied in seeing old friends and making new acquaintances. I had a cocktail party for him this afternoon at the Embassy for

Iverach McDonald, The Times
Sir Colin R. Coote, The Daily Telegraph
Mr. Gerard Fay, The Guardian
Mr. Roger Wood, The Daily Express
Mr. John Beavan, The Daily Mirror
Miss Juliet Brittain, Time & Tide
Mr. Frank Giles, The Sunday Times
Hon. David Astor, The Observer
Mr. Donald McLachlan, The Sunday Telegraph
Mr. Donald Tyerman, The Economist
Mr. John Freeman, New Statesman
Mr. Ian Hamilton, The Spectator
Mr. John Buxton, Yorkshire Post
Mr. Paul Bareau, The Statist
Mr. Michael Randall, The Daily Mail

Tonight I received from Burke Elbrick, in Lisbon, a pathetic letter sent to him by George Bidault, for delivery to me. The Portuguese Government has notified Bidault that he cannot remain in its territory. He has applied for entry into the United States. We have refused to permit him to come. His letter to me, as translated says:

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January 1, 1963 - Tuesday

We lunched with Susan Mary and Joe Alsop. Toothsome dishes and entertaining talk. Joe is writing an article for the New Yorker on French furniture which, I am sure, will be amusing and instructive. He has a comprehensive range of miscellaneous knowledge, and an affectionate heart. Dear Susan Mary has had an operation for a facial cancer; it has left a long, thin, and not disfiguring, indeed picturesque, scar. She is full of pleasing personality.

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E cooked hamburgers tonight for our last family meal.

January 2, 1963 - Wednesday

Left on the shuttle plane this morning for New York. Harlan Cleveland brought me to town from the Terminal in Adlai Stevenson's UN Cadillac, for which, the chauffeur informed me, the Government pays General Motors a rental of six hundred dollars a year.

Harlan is leaving tonight for the Congo, in the hope of, at least, achieving the desired end of reintegration of Katanga.

I lunched at The Brook, where I am staying, with Walter Hoving. Afterwards, he took me over his Tiffany establishment. I was deeply interested in what he has accomplished, especially in the category of silver gilt. He has his own staff of designers and gilders here, but the objects are made in Mexico, Denmark, France, Italy and elsewhere.

Went to George White's office. He is still absent, but I attended to my income tax and other affairs, with Mrs. Turpin and Charlie Zinser--a depressing performance since the final tax seems always to be greater than one had estimated.

For tea with Adlai, who was in good spirits and health. Afterwards, met Buck Crawford. It is bitterly cold in New York. I [redacted] glad to dine at the Brook, with Johnnny de Braganca and his nephew, and not to have to go out.

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